

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) Capping system ~~for in combination with~~ a container with a mouth, the capping system comprising a sealing cap that has a bottom for covering the mouth, a jacket extending from said bottom and a guarantee ring provided at the edge facing away from said bottom, said guarantee ring ~~preferably being connected to the jacket via a predetermined rupture line and having at least one vertical cut, and also~~ comprising the container including a wall segment surrounding the mouth, which segment is overlapped at least in some regions by the jacket of the sealing cap, wherein there is provided at least one cam that overlaps the outer circumferential surface of the wall segment - said cam being located in the region of the guarantee ring and - as seen in the circumferential direction - being laterally surrounded by said ring, and wherein the sealing cap when placed on the container can be flanged in the region of the edge so that the flanged region laterally surrounds the cam, the cam applying a force on the guarantee when the cap is rotated a predetermined distance relative to the container to at least partially sever the guarantee.
2. (Previously Presented) Capping system as defined in claim 1, wherein the cam is disposed in the region of the edge of the guarantee ring facing the bottom of the sealing cap.

3. (Previously Presented) Capping system as defined in claim 1, wherein the sealing cap is made of a deformable material, preferably aluminum.
4. (Cancelled)
5. (Previously Presented) Capping system as defined in claim 1, wherein the wall segment is provided with an annular bead adjacent to the mouth and that the cam is disposed in the region of the wall segment directly adjacent to the annular bead.
6. (Previously Presented) Capping system as defined in claim 1, wherein the cam extends as far as the region of the annular bead.
7. (Previously Presented) Capping system as defined in claim 1, wherein the cam extends beyond the circumferential surface of the wall segment further than does the annular bead.
8. (Previously Presented) Capping system as defined in claim 1, wherein a stopper can be inserted into the mouth of the container onto which stopper the sealing cap can be placed.
9. (Currently Amended) Method for ~~capping a container with a mouth by means of a~~ applying a capping system, particularly a capping system as defined in claim 1, with a container with a mouth, and a sealing cap comprising a ~~sealing cap that surrounds a~~ bottom that serves to cover the mouth, a jacket extending from said bottom and a

guarantee ring provided at the edge of the jacket facing away from said bottom, said guarantee ring being connected to the jacket via a predetermined rupture line and preferably being provided with at least one vertical cut, and with a wall segment of the container surrounding the mouth, said wall segment at least in some regions being overlapped by the jacket of the cap, ~~particularly by means of a capping system as defined in claim 1,~~ the method being carried out according to the following steps:

- placing the sealing cap onto the mouth of the container,
- pressing the sealing cap on,
- flanging the edge of the guarantee ring that faces away from the bottom of the sealing cap without deforming said edge in the region of the cam, so that the adjacent flanged regions of the guarantee ring laterally overlap the cam[.].

10. (Previously Presented) Method as defined in claim 9, wherein a stopper is first inserted into the mouth of the container and the sealing cap is then placed over it.

11. (New) Capping system as defined in claim 1, comprising a mouth and a wall segment surrounding the mouth, wherein there is provided at least one cam that overlaps the outer circumferential surface of the wall segment.

12. (New) A capping system in combination with a container having an opening and a cam extending from a surface of the container, the capping system comprising:

a cap including a bottom for selectively covering said mouth, a jacket extending from said bottom, and a guarantee connected to said jacket, said guarantee including a flanged region that laterally surrounds said cam when said cap is attached to said container, said guarantee rotating with said jacket when said cap is rotated relative to said container, said cam applying a force on said guarantee when said cap is rotated a predetermined distance relative to said container to at least partially sever said guarantee.

13. (New) The capping system of claim 12, wherein said guarantee expands in a radial direction in response to said force.

14. (New) The capping system of claim 12, wherein said guarantee includes a least one cut.

15. (New) The capping system of claim 14, wherein said guarantee is at least partially severed at said at least one cut in response to said force being applied to said guarantee.

16. (New) The capping system of claim 14, wherein said at least one cut is formed substantially parallel to a longitudinal axis of said cap.

17. (New) The capping system of claim 12, wherein said cam includes at least one sloped surface that engages said flanged region when said cap is rotated said predetermined distance.

18. (New) The capping system of claim 12, wherein said cam includes at least one sloped surface that engages said flanged region prior to rotation of said cap relative to said container.

19. (New) The capping system of claim 12, wherein said surface of said container includes a substantially constant cross section between said cam and said mouth.

20. (New) The capping system of claim 12, wherein said cap is disposed between said cam and said mouth.